

Types of Thyroid Cancer:

- 1- **Papillary:** Most common (80% of cases); slow growing; may develop in one or both lobes of the thyroid gland; and may spread to lymph nodes in the neck.
- 2- **Follicular:** 2nd most common; more found in iodine-deficient countries; It grows slowly and is highly treatable.
- 3- **Medullary:** Less common; more likely to occur in others in the family; It is more likely to spread to lymph nodes and other organs.
- 4- **Anaplastic:** Very rare and very aggressive; quickly spreads to the neck and other parts of the body

If your doctor suspects that you have thyroid cancer and your doctor finds a lump or nodule in your thyroid gland, he or she may order a thyroid ultrasound to evaluate the characteristics of the nodule and, if necessary, a biopsy to rule out cancer.